Application No.: 10/566,432

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Mohamed A. MARAHIEL et al.

Group Art Unit: 1651

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Examiner: Fernandez, S. E.

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For: METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF CYCLIC MOLECULES

SECOND ELECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 18, 2009, a petition for a five month extension of time is made and payment is addressed at the end of this filing.

In response to the Examiner's request for an election of a specific group for each of R1, R2, R3, R4, and R5, Applicants elect the species H. This filing is believed to be fully responsive to the requirement for a more specific species election and that an examination on the merits of this application should now be received.

Applicants also reiterate the previously-made argument regarding the impropriety of the restriction requirement and request that it be either withdrawn or remade.

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Applicants petition for a five month extension of time. Please charge the extension of time fee (\$1,175.00) and any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1088.

Respectfully submitted, CLARK & BRODY

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